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2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Document 1: JP, 2000-209677, A (Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.), 28 July, 2000 (28.07.00), full text (Family: none)

The subject matter of claim 1 does not appear to be novel or to involve an inventive step, since it is described in document 1 ([0021]-[0057], drawings) cited in the ISR.

The subject matters of claims 2-6 are neither described in any of the documents cited in the ISR nor obvious to a person skilled in the art.